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TAGS: CDES, HO (BALLARD, HAROLD)

SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF REMAINS AND ESTATE

REF: BELIZE 362, STATE 142690

1. ONE JUNE 18, POST WAS CONTACTED BY MRS. HAZEL BALLARD (713-649-1951) WHO SAID SHE WAS THE ESTRANGED WIFE OF THE DECEASED, HAROLD BALLARD. SHE ADVISED POST TO CONTACT DECEASED'S COUSIN THOMAS BALLARD, (723-3458 - HOME OR 314-425-3169 OFFICE) WHO WOULD SPEAK FOR THE FAMILY IN ARRANGEMENTS FOR DISPOSITION OF THE BODY AND EFFECTS.
2. THOMAS BALLARD EXPRESSED INITIAL PREFERENCE THAT REMAINS BE RETURNED TO ST. LOUIS, THEN SAID HE WOULD GO ALONG WITH HAZEL BALLARD'S WISHES THAT DECEASED BE BURIED IMMEDIATELY IN BELIZE. POST WAS UNABLE TO CONTACT THOMAS BRINKLEY NAMED IN STATE 142690.
3. DECEASED WAS BURIED ON JUNE 19 AT BELIZE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL LAW AND APPARENT WISHES OF THOSE NEXT OF KIN THAT COULD BE CONTACTED BY POST.
4. APPROXIMATELY 37 US DOLLARS FROM DECEASED'S CURRENT ACCOUNT, BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA, BELIZE CITY, USED BY POST TO COVER MINIMAL BURIAL COSTS PER 7 FAM 445.1-3 WITH HAZEL AND THOMAS BALLARD'S TELEPHONE APPROVAL OF JUNE 18. REMAINDER OF ACCOUNT, APPROXIMATELY 833 US DOLLARS AT JUNE 20 EXCHANGE RATES, WAS TRANSFERRED TO INTEREST-BEARING SAVINGS ACCOUNT PENDING FINAL DISPOSITION TO OFFICIAL LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF ESTATE.

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5. FS-192, COVERING LETTERS, AND INVENTORY OF EFFECTS ARE BEING

FORWARDED BY POUCH TO DEPARTMENT AND TO HAZEL AND THOMAS
BALLARD AND EDDIE BRINKLEY. GAWF

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